State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1070

Introduced by: Representatives Peters, Buckingham, Gillespie, Klaudt, and Lange and Senators Gant, Apa, Earley, and Moore

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding who receives notice
- of hearing and charges against insurance producers and to require that persons receiving
- 3 such notice also receive notice of the final determination of the matter.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That § 58-30-167 be amended to read as follows:
- 6 58-30-167. The director may suspend for not more than twelve months, or may revoke or
- 7 refuse to continue, any license issued under this chapter, or any license of a surplus lines broker
- 8 after a hearing. Notice of such hearing and of the charges against the licensee shall be given to
- 9 the licensee and to the insurers represented by such licensee or to the appointing agent of a
- 10 producer at least twenty days before the hearing. The director may suspend, revoke, or refuse
- 11 to issue or renew an insurance producer's license or may accept a monetary penalty in
- accordance with § 58-4-28.1 or any combination thereof, for any one or more of the following
- causes:
- 14 (1) Providing incorrect, misleading, incomplete, or materially untrue information in the
- license application;

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1	(2)	Violating any insurance laws or rules, subpoena, or order of the director or of another
2		state's insurance director, commissioner, or superintendent;
3	(3)	Obtaining or attempting to obtain a license through misrepresentation or fraud;
4	(4)	Withholding, misappropriating, or converting any monies or properties received in
5		the course of doing insurance business;
6	(5)	Intentionally misrepresenting the terms of an actual or proposed insurance contract
7		or application for insurance;
8	(6)	Having been convicted of a felony;
9	(7)	Having admitted or been found to have committed any insurance unfair trade practice
10		or fraud;
11	(8)	Using fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence,
12		untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in this state
13		or elsewhere;
14	(9)	Having an insurance producer license, or its equivalent, denied, suspended, or
15		revoked in any other state, province, district, or territory;
16	(10)	Forging another's name to an application for insurance or to any document related to
17		an insurance transaction;
18	(11)	Using notes or any other reference material to complete an examination for an
19		insurance license;
20	(12)	Knowingly accepting insurance business from an individual who sells, solicits, or
21		negotiates insurance and is not licensed; or
22	(13)	Failing to comply with an administrative or court order imposing a child support
23		obligation.
24	At the	e conclusion of the matter, the director shall send a letter to the licensee, the insurers

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1 represented by such licensee, and the appointing agent of a producer, stating the final

2 <u>determination of the matter.</u>